

LAST WEEK

Sunday School 54
Worship Attendance 83

Your generosity empowers our collective work for God's kingdom purposes. Thanks!

OUR THANKS TO

PASTORAL CARE THIS WEEK: Sharon Showalter

NURSERY:

Today: Kim Lehman **Next week:** Tara Sanford

GREETERS:

Today: Ken and Cheryl Shank **Next week:** Ken and Cheryl Shank

SOUND OPERATOR:

Today: Mark Kauffman **Next week:** Larry Evans

MEDIA OPERATOR:

Today: Savannah Hostetler **Next week:** Savannah Hostetler

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"Jesus compels us to experience and extend the gracious rule of God by the power of the Holy Spirit."

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God's Great Generosity

Preparing

By praying together Infant Nursery @ 8:45a.m.

Gathering

Welcome & Call to Worship Jerry Landes
Prelude Bill Barrett
Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18 & Opening Prayer
Gathering Hymns Carl Newcomer

Proclaiming

Scripture- Genesis 28:10-22
Message "Dreaming at Bethel" Pastor Dave Maurer

Praising

With our offerings Pat Yoder
& Offertory Annie Steiner and Team
With Choruses

Sharing

Of our joys, requests, thanksgivings & responses
Pastoral Prayer Pastor Dave Maurer

Sending

Benediction Pastor Dave
Sending hymn

Celebrating 125 Years

THIS WEEK

TODAY

9:30 a.m. — Sunday School
10:40 a.m. — Worship Service
Noon – Restructure Sack Lunch
6:00 p.m. – Youth and Mentors

TUESDAY

9:15 a.m.—Women’s Bible Study
12:00 noon—Peace & Justice Lunch
3:00 p.m.—Bethel Homework Help

WEDNESDAY

7:00 p.m.—Youth Bible Study

THURSDAY

3:00 p.m.—Bethel Homework Help

FRIDAY

9:00 a.m.—Pastoral Care Team

NEXT SUNDAY –

9:30 a.m. — Sunday School
10:40 a.m. — Worship Service— Pastor Dave speaks on Job 1:1-22

LOOKING AHEAD

Restructure Listening Lunch – If you have not already had an opportunity to hear more about the restructure proposal, bring a sack lunch after worship and meet in the fellowship hall with the restructure sub-committee to ask questions and to share insights.

Please contact **Chuck Swartz** with any pastoral emergencies and Tesa for the prayer chain this week.

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Grief Support - West Liberty United Methodist Church is offering GriefShare, a special weekly seminar and support group designed to help you rebuild life after losing a loved one by offering help, encouragement and hope. Sessions are Mondays at 10am beginning Jan 26th or Tuesdays @ 6:30pm beginning Jan. 27th. Call 441-3592 for more information.

Red Cross Blood Drive is scheduled for January 30th from 11 am to 5 pm. If you can donate blood, or would like to help with set up, tear down, hosting, or donating refreshments, please sign up on the sheet in the lobby.

Women’s Scarf Brunch is January 31st at 9 a.m. If you plan to attend, please sign up in the foyer. If you can bring a dish to share, please indicate on the signup sheet. Bring your scarves and a mirror if you have one to use.

Through the Bible in a Year Reflection Questions: as we journey through the Bible this year, here are a few questions to reflect upon in your reading. More may be found at Pastor Dave’s blog (<http://thequest.blogspot.com/>). A complete list of daily readings is available from the office. **January 19-25:**

- Job had experienced significant blessing from God and lived a righteous and blameless life even intervening before God on behalf of his children. What are the ways that you have experienced God’s blessing in your own life?
- Satan appeared before God with the angels and God had a very casual conversation with him about what he had been doing and about Job. Satan then challenged God to strike Job and to see how righteous he was when his circumstances changed. Instead, God released all that Job had to Satan and calamity upon calamity struck Job’s household. How have you responded when calamity has struck your household? Where have you seen or experienced God in the midst of calamity?
- Consider how Job’s wife and friends respond to his circumstances. What can we affirm and emulate in their response? What would we choose to do differently as we reach out to those who experience similar circumstances today?
- Job asserted in his reply to Bildad that he was not able to speak up to God without fear. Is this consistent with your view of God and God’s relationship to you? Why or why not? What may be different for us in our day compared to Job in his time?

PRAYER & PRAISE NOTES

- **Pray for Tom Kxng** who is recovering from a car accident on 68.
- **Pray for the Mennonite Mission Network’s Mennonite Voluntary Service program** as they restructure to respond to current realities. Pray for Nathan Penner and Neil Richer as they oversee this change, for the 11 congregations and communities that will be hosting larger service households, and for the 10 congregations and communities that will be closing their units.
- **Pray for Molly Thxrnburg** who has injured her ankle.
- **Pray for Adriel** for their ministry, their staff and the children that they serve.